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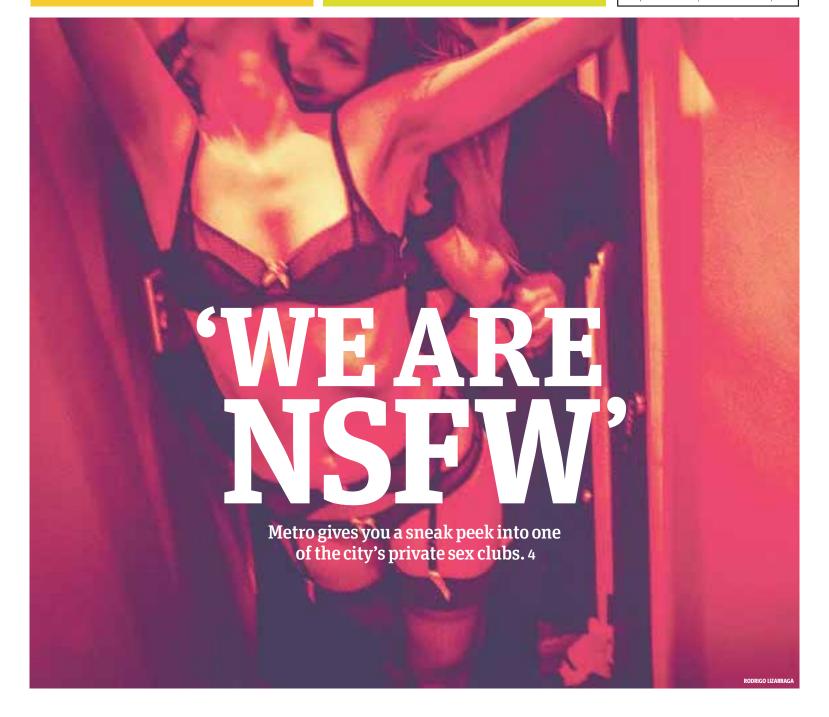
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The Republican head of a congressional inquiry into alleged Russian meddling in the 2016 U.S. presidential election said he would temporarily step aside from the probe on Thursday because he is under investigation for disclosing classified information. Devin Nunes, chairman of the House of Representatives Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and an ally of Republican President Donald Trump,



characterized charges that he made unauthorized disclosures of classified information as "entirely false

and politically motivated." The surprise disclosure that Nunes was under investigation injected new uncertainty into the wider Russia probe by his committee.

REST AT ARLINGTON

John Glenn, the first American to orbit the earth who later became the world's oldest astronaut and a longtime U.S. senator, was laid to rest on Thursday at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia. Glenn, who author Tom Wolfe once called "the last true national hero America has ever had," died four months ago in his home state of Ohio at the age of 95. After a private

service at a chapel on the cemetery grounds, a horse-drawn carriage pulled Glenn's flagdraped casket to his burial site. There was a short graveside ceremony broadcast online by NASA Television. Then, Gen. Robert Neller, Commandant of the Marine Corps, handed the flag that had draped the casket to Glenn's 97-year-old widow, Annie Glenn. She kissed him.

COMIC DON RICKLES DEAD AT AGE 90

On Rickles, the master insult comic who created laughs with ridicule and sarcasm in a decades-long career that earned him the facetious nickname "Mr. Warmth," died on Thursday at his Los Angeles home from kidney failure, his publicist said. He was 90. Rickles, who said he devised his brand of mockery-based humor because he was no good at telling traditional jokes, had



developed a bacterial infection in recent months that led him to cancel a number of performances.

His death was confirmed by his spokesman, Paul Shefrin, who said Rickles is survived by his wife of 52 years, Barbara, as well as their daughter, Mindy Mann, and two grandchildren. He would have turned 91 on May 8. REUTERS



LYFT VALUED AT \$7.5B IN NEW FUNDING ROUND

Ride services company Lyft Inc. has nearly completed a funding round of at least \$500 million, valuing the company at \$7.5 billion, according to a source close to the company. San Francisco-based Lyft has been in fundraising mode for some time as it spends heavily to compete with its much bigger rival Uber Technologies Inc. The \$7.5 billion valuation marks a sharp increase from the \$5.5 billion



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expected to command a valuation of between \$6 billion and \$7 billion in its newest funding round, but the source said the valuation had been revised upward. REUTERS

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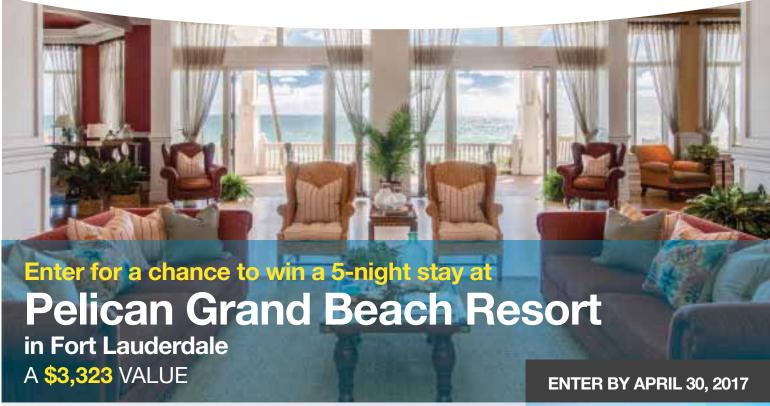
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The bell rings and you're greeted at the door by a man in black bunny ears who introduces you to Calvin Klein, the Pomeranian at his side. You climb the steps to the kitchen where you see and smell catered bites and cocktails on your way to the coatroom. Now, it's time to get

NSFW is a membersonly club with monthly dues of, you guessed it, \$69. Members, mostly in their 20s and 30s, enjoy classes throughout the month on topics like how to take a sexy selfie, how drugs like cannabis mix with adult play, how to ask for sex and other topics related to kink.

The top floor of the Williamsburg four-story apartment is for what NSFW calls "penetrative Mattresses, play." soft lighting, curtains and sheers create an inviting, sexy look.

If you choose privacy for your "penetrative play," you're not allowed to lock the door, but you can help yourself to the bowl of condoms on the nightstand. "Guardian angels," whose halos weren't delivered to NSFW on time for the March 31 event, walk around the

house to make sure everyone is playing by the rules enthusiastic consent" is given before any adult adventure.

The second and first floors are for "chilling out," but with a DJ, S&M demonstrations, massage with a shaman and a pop-up sex shop, you're bound to find some excitement.

The bottom floor is the "bunny den," a finished basement turned sex dungeon where mattresses line the floor and toys to tease are tossed on the mattresses for interactive

You don't have to be a member to attend a NSFW "playdate," which creative director Daniel Saynt says is not a sex party, but a party where sex also happens. Although, another benefit to the monthly membership is a reduced price on tickets for NSFW's monthly playdate. Men do pay more to play than women, but according to NSFW's publicist, the "bunny" who organizes these events figures it's all fair in love and sex considering women face a wage gap and previously paid a "pink tax."

Whether you're al-ready a pro at tying knots with silk rope or tried to drip candle wax on your partner but sent him to the emergency room (Miss Scorpio can help you next time), NSFW is open to all.

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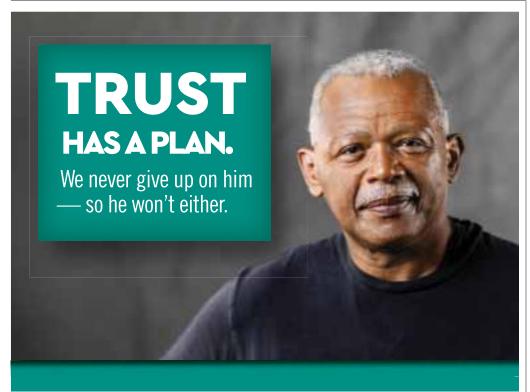
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Suspected bomber Ahmad Khan Rahami attended his first court hearing via a video link from his hospital bed in University Hospital in Newark, where he was being treated after a shootout with police. GETTY IMAGES



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Accused Chelsea bomber wants trial moved to **Vermont**

The blast in Chelsea injured 30 people.

accused Chelsea bomber wants to move his upcoming trial from Manhattan to Vermont, arguing he cannot get a fair trial in the city where he is accused of injuring 30 people.

A lawyer for Ahmad Rahimi, an Afghan-born U.S. citizen, lawyer filed a motion requesting a change of venue late Wednesday in federal court in Manhattan, six months before his trial is set to begin with jury selection on Oct. 2.

Rahimi, 29, is accused of setting off bombs last September in the Chelsea neighborhood Manhattan and in the coastal New Jersey town of Seaside Heights.

The Chelsea bomb injured 30 people but did not kill anyone, while the explosion in New Jersey did not hurt anyone.

Rahimi also left behind unexploded bombs in New York and in Elizabeth, New Jersey, before he was captured in Lin-den, New Jersey, following a shootout with police in which two officers suffered minor injuries, prosecutors say.

An expert hired by Rahimi's court-appointed lawyer Sabrina Shroff conducted a survey of residents in New York and concluded that pervasive media coverage had made it impossible to select an impartial jury, according to her motion.

Shroff proposes Burlington, Vermont, as an alternative trial location, saying it was far enough from New York to ensure little bias while remaining within the same federal appeals court jurisdiction. She also suggested Washington, as another possibility.

Such motions are rarely granted, even in high-profile cases. Federal judges refused to move the trial of the Boston Marathon bomber, Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, for instance, despite massive pretrial media coverage.

The U.S. Attorney's office in Manhattan did not immediately comment on the motion.

Rahimi also faces an upcoming trial on New Jersey state charges related to the police shootout, and his lawyer in that case has also moved for a change of venue, citing pretrial publicity. Prosecutors have opposed that request. REUTERS

INTERNET ABUSE

Council members push to criminalize 'vile tactic'

"Revenge porn" should be a crime and anyone convicted of it should spend up to a year in jail, say two city council

"Revenge porn is a vile tactic of bullies and domestic abusers, who deliberately cause harm by releasing intimate images or videos of their victims," Council Member Dan Garodnick said in a statement. "With a click of a mouse, careers are put in jeopardy, relationships are damaged, and online harassment becomes a daily battle."

Garodnick and Council Member Rory Lancman have proposed legislation to make revenge porn a crime punishable by up to a year in jail, a \$1,000 fine or both.

The city council's Public Safety Committee considered the proposal on Thursday.

"It is critically important for the laws in New York City to catch up with our technology to provide protections for New Yorkers from such abuse," said Lancman, the bill's primary sponsor. "Distributing intimate images or videos of another person on the Internet without consent is an appalling breach of privacy that can have devastating consequences for victims."

The lawmakers noted that April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Their proposal is based on a state bill by Assemblyman Edward Braunstein, a Queens Democrat.

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Does Donald Trump Jr. have eyes on New York governor's office?

"The position of mayor of New York would be less interesting to him," a source said.



Hitting the campaign trail with his dad might have Donald Trump Jr. eyeing the New York governor's office.

On Tuesday, Trump told members of the F6 Labs gun club in Hicksville, New York, that he "is interested in running for office, such as governor of New York," an anonymous guest told Page Six.

guest told Page Six.

In July, Trump expressed interest in running against current New York Mayor Bill de Blasio, who is up for reelection this year. But the source said, "The position of mayor of New York would be less interesting to him."



Donald Trump Jr. may have set his sights on New York governor's office. WIKIMEDIA COMMONS

According to an October poll by The Wall Street Journal/NBC4 New York and Marist, 80 percent of the nearly 1,100 participants opposed a possible mayoral run by President Donald Trump's eldest

Trump, who heads the Trump Organization with his younger brother, Eric, now that their father has taken office, said that "going back to doing deals is boring" after being on the campaign trail for 18 months, adding, "The politics bug bit me."

It is unknown when Trump would run for governor of New York. The source said that while he's interested in following his father into politics, he "has no intentions of running for political office at this time" and is "totally focused" on running the family business with his brother.

Current Gov. Andrew Cuomo is rumored to be among the top Democratic contenders for the White House in 2020, though he has announced he will instead seek reelection in 2018.

NJ halts payments to Amtrak after train derailments

New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie has ordered the state to halt all payments to Amtrak and called for an investigation into the company's maintenance of tracks and other equipment after the derailment of an NJ Transit train earlier this week.

A slow-moving NJ Transit train left the rails during rush hour at New York's Penn Station on Monday, injuring one person. It was the second derailment involving Amtrak-maintained tracks at the busy Midtown Manhattan hub in fewer than two weeks.

"These incidents raise serious questions about the condition of tracks and other assets maintained by Amtrak," Christie wrote in a letter sent to Amtrak late Wednesday and made public by the governor's office on Thursday.

Amtrak is responsible



Governor Chris Christie. GETTY IMAGES

for maintaining tracks, signals switches and other railroad infrastructure on the Northeast Corridor, which runs between New York Penn Station and New Jersey.

NJ Transit, the state's public transportation system, pays Amtrak \$2.5 million to \$5 million each month to cover operating expenses. Last week, it made a \$62 million payment for capital investments in the Northeast Corridor. BULIFES



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Think tank: China fighter plane spotted on South China Sea island

A Chinese fighter plane has been spotted on a Chinese-held island in the South China Sea, the first such sighting in a year and the first since U.S. President Trump took office, a U.S. think tank reported.

The Asia Maritime Transparency Initiative (AMTI), part of Washington's Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the J-11 fighter was visible in a satellite image taken on March 29 of Woody Island in the Paracel island chain.

News of the sighting came as Trump was in Florida for meetings with China's President Xi Jinping on Thursday and Friday at which he is expected to air U.S. concerns about China's pursuit of territory and militarization of outposts in the South China Sea.



"This isn't a first, but it's the first time in a year," AMTI director Greg Poling said of the jet sighting.

Referring to the single fighter plane visible in the image, he said: 'There are likely more in the hangars nearby."

Poling said it was unclear how long the plane had been there, but added that similar deployments on artificial islands China has built further south in the

South China Sea's Spratly archipelago could be expected now that military facilities had been completed there.

The United States has said in the past that rotational deployments of Chinese fighter jets to Woody Island were part of a disturbing trend of militarization that raised questions about Beijing's intentions in the South China Sea, which is an important trade route.

A Chinese J-11 fighter jet is pictured on the airstrip at Woody Island in the South China Sea, March 29. csis Asia MARITIME TRAN

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US Senate goes 'nuclear,'

The Senate's action cleared the way to confirm Gorsuch. The rule change was called the "nuclear option" because it was considered an extreme break with Senate tradition.

Senate Republicans on Thursday crushed Democratic block blockade President Donald Trump's U.S. Supreme Court nominee in a fierce partisan brawl, approving a rule change dubbed the "nuclear option" to allow for conservative judge Neil Gorsuch's confirmation by Friday.

With ideological control of the nation's highest court at stake, the Republican-led Senate voted 52-48 along party lines to change its longstanding rules in order to prohibit a procedural tactic called a filibuster against Supreme Court nominees. That came after Republicans failed by a 55-45 tally to muster the 60-vote supermajority needed to end the Democratic filibuster that had sought to deny Gorsuch confirmation to the lifetime post. Trump had encour-

aged Republican Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell to "go nuclear." Confirmation of Gorsuch would represent Trump's first major victory since taking office on Jan. 20, after setbacks on health care legislation and blocking of his order to prevent people from sev-Muslim-majority eral nations from entering the United States.

Senate confirmation of Gorsuch, a Coloradobased federal appeals could judge, would restore the nine-seat court's 5-4 conservative majority, enable Trump to leave an indelible mark on America's highest judicial body

and fulfill a top campaign promise by the Republican president. Gorsuch, 49, could be expected to serve for decades.

"This will be the first and last partisan fili-buster of the Supreme Court," McConnell said on the Senate floor, accusing Democrats of trying to inflict political damage on Trump and to keep more conservatives from joining the high court.

"In 20 or 30 or 40 years, we will sadly point to today as a turning point in the history of the Senate and the Supreme Court, a day when we irrevocably moved further away from the principles our founders intended for these institutions: principles of bipartisanship, moderation and consensus," Senate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer said on the Senate floor.

Schumer ridiculed McConnell's contention that the Democratic action was unprec-



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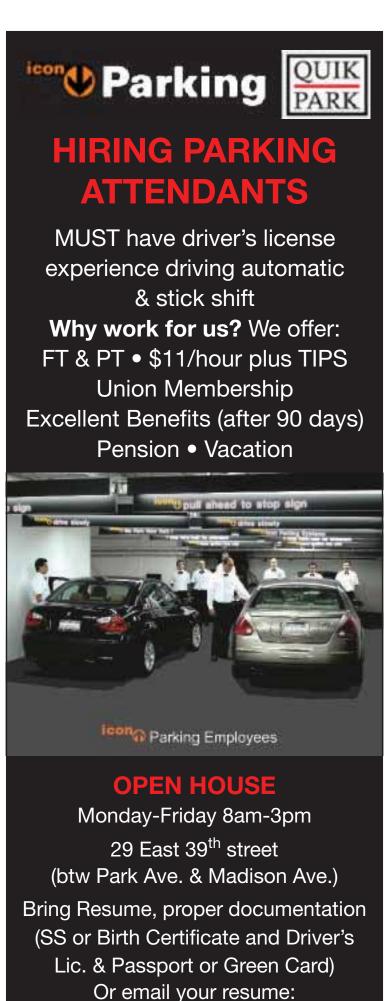
edented. He noted the Republican-led Senate refused last year to consider Democratic former President Barack Obama's nomination of appellate judge Merrick Garland for the same seat that Trump selected Gorsuch to fill following the death of conservative Justice Antonin Scalia in February 2016.

With three of the court's justices 78 or older, Trump told reporters he hoped to appoint as many as four Supreme Court justices, a move likely to make it overwhelmingly conser-

"In fact, under a certain scenario there could even be more than that," Trump said aboard Air Force One en route to a meeting with China's president in Florida, adding that the Senate rule change would not alter how he picks court nominees.

Gorsuch could be sworn in as early as Friday, with a formal ceremony expected at the White House next week, a White House official said. That would allow him to begin preparing for the court's next session of oral arguments, starting on April 17.





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Trump says 'something should happen' with Assad as US weighs military options

The poison gas attack on Tuesday in the rebel-held Syrian town of Khan Sheikhoun killed at least 70 people, many of them children, and presented Trump with his biggest foreign policy crisis since he took office.

President Donald Trump said that "something should happen" with President Bashar al-Assad after a deadly poison gas attack in Syria, as the Pentagon and the White House launched detailed discussions on military options.

While Trump stopped short of calling on Assad to leave office, the comments were his strongest suggestion yet that the United States may be edging toward a stronger stance against Assad, an ally of Iran and Russia, whose country has been torn apart by six years of civil war.

"I think what Assad did is terrible," Trump told reporters traveling with him on Air Force One en route to Florida.

Washington blamed the attack on the Syrian government,





"I think what happened in Syria is a disgrace to humanity and he's there, and I guess he's running things, so something should happen."

putting it at odds with Russia, which has air and ground forces in Syria.

Trump has until now focused his Syria policy almost exclusively on defeating Islamic State militants in northern Syria, where U.S. special forces are working with Arab and Kurdish armed groups.

Only last week, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Nikki Haley said the U.S. diplomatic policy on Syria for now was no longer focused on making Assad leave power.

The gas attack in Idlib province outraged the world. Trump said on Wednesday it had caused him to think again about Assad.

A U.S. official said options being discussed by the Pentagon and White House after the gas attack could include grounding aircraft used by Assad's forces, the official added.

Such options would also include the use of cruise missiles, allowing the United States to strike targets without putting piloted aircraft in the skies above Syria.



Striking Assad could put the United States on a collision course with Russia, which intervened on the Syrian president's side in 2015, turning the tide of the conflict against mostly Sunni Muslim rebel groups in his favor.

The U.S. official did not comment on how likely military action might be or suggest which, if any, options might be recommended by the Pentagon.

The official added that U.S. Defense Secretary Jim Mattis and White House national security adviser H.R. Mc-Master had already been in talks on the matter.

Mattis will presumably discuss the options when he meets with Trump at his Mar-a-Lago retreat in Florida, the official said. Mattis is due in Florida later on Thursday as part of a scheduled trip.



Abdel Hameed Alvousef (2nd L) mourns over his wife and twin babies, killed in



People aather to protest Assad regime forces' suspected chemical gas attack in the opposition-held Syrian province of Idlib, in Aleppo, Syria.

intelligence agencies suspect that Assad kept some of the chemical weapons or components that he agreed to surrender under a U.S.-Russian deal that followed a chemical weapons attack on the outskirts of Damascus in 2013, a U.S. intelligence official said on Thursday.

We have never taken the Assad regime at its word that it declared its entire chemical weapons stockpile," the official said. REUTERS

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There is a corollary to that last item: If you're dead set on going to the mat over some issue, you'd better be more than 51% right about it. You need to be deep into the 60 or 70% range or you won't just have a fight — you will trigger a long simmering war of attrition filled with silent car rides, slammed doors, and muttered questions about your parentage.

This is what's wrong with how the Senate is approving the new Supreme Court justice, Neil Gorsuch. No doubt you've heard how the Republicans changed the rules to shove him toward a seat on the court despite Democratic objections. The details are tedious, but effectively instead of needing the customary 60 votes to make it happen, they used the so called "nuclear option" to lower the bar to 51. That's 51 out of 100. And considering they hold 52 seats, that's enough for victory.

So isn't that just democracy in action - the majority ruling? Sure. But a key principle

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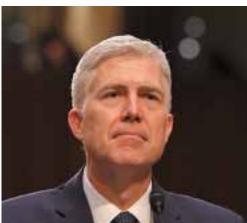
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of the Senate has always been that laws and decisions are more robust if they have "buy in" from both sides. When you need 60 votes, you often must give opponents something they can support in your plan, which makes them your allies in its long-term success.

I'm not questioning Gorsuch's qualifications, his Republican support, or his Democratic opposition. What I am saying is in recent years we have descended ever deeper into this dangerous trend: As soon as either party gets 51% of the power, it does whatever it wants and essentially tells the

other 49% to go to hell. And deep down there amid the nuclear fallout, the losers - no matter which party it is at any given time wait in sizzling fury to renew the fight at the first opportunity.



Neil Gorsuch GETTY IMAGES

SOCIAL MEDIA

Twitter refuses US order to reveal user behind anti-Trump account

Twitter Inc. filed a federal lawsuit to block an order by the U.S. government demanding that it reveal who is behind an account opposed to President Trump's tough immigration policies.

Citing freedom of speech as a basis for not turning over records, Twitter filed the lawsuit in federal court in San Francisco and said that the account, @ALT_uscis, claimed to be run

by at least one federal immigration employee. The acronym CIS refers to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, and the account describes itself as "immigration resistance."

Trump has vowed to build a wall along the U.S. border with Mexico and has promised to deport millions of illegal immigrants.

Following Trump's inauguration in January, anonymous Twitter feeds that borrowed the names and logos of more

than a dozen U.S. government agencies appeared to challenge the president's views on climate change and other issues.

A Twitter spokesman declined to comment on whether the government demanded information about other accounts critical of Trump.

Twitter, which counts Trump among its active users, has a record of litigating in favor of user privacy.

"The rights of free speech afforded Twitter's users and Twitter itself under the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution include a right to disseminate such anonymous or pseudonymous political speech," Twitter said in the lawsuit.

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In "Colossal," Jason Sudeikis and Anne Hathaway play old school chums who reconnect — as she learns she can control a giant monster terrorizing Seoul, South Korea. NEOP

"Colossal" pits the two actors against each other in one of the strangest plots in memory.



In person, Anne Hathaway and Jason Sudeikis are buds. They don't get along so well in "Colossal." In the sci-fi comedy-drama, the Oscar-winning actress plays Gloria, a 30-something hot mess who's forced — thanks in part to a considerable drinking problem — to ditch New York and return to

her middle-of-nowhere New Jersey hometown. There, she reconnects with Sudeikis' Oscar, an old friend from school, and learns something truly bizarre: She has the power to control a giant kaiju monster that wreaks havoc in South Korea. Dubbed the Anne Hathaway Godzilla movie" when

it premiered at the Toronto Film Festival, it's also a dark look at friendship, particularly once Oscar turns out to be not as nice as he seems.

We talked to Hathaway and Sudeikis, 34 and 41, respectively, about why people should see "Colossal" in the theaters and

how parenthood - and making the movie has made them more empathetic.

This is a conversationstarter. One thing people can talk about is Oscar. He's a "nice guy," but like some 'nice guys" he can be as twisted and evil as any sexist pig. If he

were on the internet, he'd probably be a men's rights activist. Jason Sudeikis: If you really follow the internet troll from their Twitter avatar to who they actually are, I don't think all of them are going to be 400 pounds and living in their parents' basement. I think they might be in the



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cubicle next to you. Anne Hathaway: Or coaching your kid's soccer game. Sudeikis: Or your doctor. Sometimes that anonymity has the tendency to bring out the worst in us.

The internet has unlocked our inner sociopaths. We can be too brutally honest. Hathaway: I'm fine with brutal honesty. But I don't like when someone says to me – and I haven't had my coffee - "Oh my God, you are so much better-looking in movies." I don't like it when people get high on hurting me. But if people represent themselves in an honest way that's kind to both of us,

"Colossal" also touches on anxieties people have about returning to their hometowns. That's even more pronounced now, to those of us who come from places that have turned into Trump Country. Sudeikis: I would argue it's maybe a good time to go home now. Both

that evokes grace

with that.

and dignity, I'm fine

sides need to see each other. Not to be highfalutin'; I'm from Kansas, so I get it. But playing someone like Oscar, who hasn't left home, it forced me to empathize with him. He's someone one could judge. I've probably done that throughout my life.

Both sides talking to each other will happen at some point. Right now I think we're still a little shellshocked. Sudeikis: All the world is asking for is for everyone to get along. That might be why technology exists:

not to push everyone away or snipe at each other from afar, but to empathize. Maybe that's what VR's purpose will be. It won't just be video games and porn, but actual, true empathy — to see the world through someone else's eyes.

Hathaway: Think about that poor woman who was harassed online by that poor man. She was just trying to play a game, and he kept trying to grab her boobs. I don't know what we're going to get by calling that man a deviant and a pervert

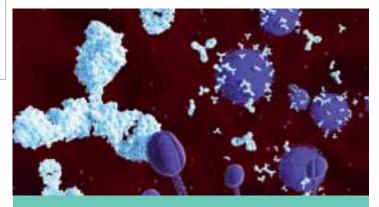
and shaming him. We need to find that dude, sit him down and say, "Do you know what you're doing is disrespecting another human being?" And I'm

not actually a bleeding-heart person. ľm think ľm newly interested in having those conversations now that I'm a parent.

Sudeikis: That's happened to me, too. Being a parent has made me think like that as well.



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giant monster in "Colossal." (Yes, that's the plot.) NEON

"Colossal"

Director: Nacho Vigalondo Stars: Anne Hathaway, Jason Rating: R

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Being original isn't enough. "Being John Malkovich" isn't a classic simply because it has a plot no normal person would have dreamed up. It's because underneath the story of people who find a portal into the brain of enigmatic actor John Malkovich lies a dark, insightful study of depression, failure and romantic delusion. The new "Colossal" features a near-"BJM"-level premise: It's the movie where Anne Hathaway discovers she

can control a giant Godzilla-like kaiju that materializes over Seoul, South Korea. And it, too, makes sure to have far more to it than a hook we swear we didn't confuse with a dream we just had.

"Colossal" begins as — and remains until its end — a stingingly funny look at a 30-something hot mess. A failure as a journalist and as a picture of sobriety, Hathaway's Gloria is dumped by her boyfriend (Dan Stevens) and booted from their NYC apartment. Crawling back to her empty childhood home in the Jersey suburbs, she intends to lick her wounds. But mostly she drinks some more, sleeps on clothes piled on a suitcase and half-assedly tends bar for an old school chum, Oscar (Jason

Sudeikis), who's clearly nursing a long-stewing thing for this black-out drunk who can't even remember attending his dad's funeral. She's so out of it she's late to learn there's been a giant lizard thing stomping around Seoul — much less that it's she orchestrating the stomping, somehow and for some reason.

Of course, there is a reason this is happening — a silly, absurdist reason "Colossal" thankfully spends little time trying to explain. After all, writer-director Nacho Vigalondo ("Timecrimes," "Extraterrestrial") has bigger fish to fry. It would be cruel to reveal too much, namely a midfilm twist that's hilariously left-field yet winds up steering the film in a far, far darker direction. It's here that "Colossal" reveals it's a monster movie that has more in common with an Ingmar Bergman megadrama, in which the emotional violence characters do to each other is almost as harrowing as what kaiju-Gloria does to Seoul. Vigalondo gets a lot done, and with only six main actors and three or four chief locations, making a film filled with ideas, a wide emotional palette and peak work from not only Hathaway but also Sudeikis. And then it goes and has a killer punch line, **too.** MATT PRIGGE

"Going in Style"

Director: Zach Braff Stars: Michael Caine, Morgan Freeman, Alan Arkin Rating: PG-13

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The best thing you can say about Zach Braff's "Going in Style" is that it doesn't feel like a Zach Braff movie, like "Garden State." That's not true: The best thing you can say is it has some predictably charming work from its three leads, Michael Caine, Morgan Freeman and Alan Arkin. It has a tiny bit of bite, concerning three wrinkly retirees who rob a bank — not because they're greedy, but because they've been screwed by greedy banks and greedy corporations. Still, if you showed it back-to-back with Braff's "Garden State" and told viewers it came from the same artist, they'd never believe you. In fact, maybe they'd wish you were lying.

When he made "Garden State" 14 years ago, Braff was then known as that mugging, lovable doctor from "Scrubs." So he pulled a classic career move, making a movie that revealed he was a sensitive (though still quirky!) soul. The movie earned him untold



Alan Arkin, Morgan Freeman and Michael Caine want to rob a bank in Zach Braff's "Going in Style." WARNER BROS. PICTURES

fans, but also untold enemies, who couldn't stand a movie that featured both painfully sincere shilling for The Shins and a sight gag about a dude eating breakfast dressed like a medieval knight. Neither "sensitive" nor "quirky" describes "Going in Style." It's exactly what you'd expect from a movie in which three screen legends in their 70s and 80s stick up a bank. You probably wouldn't even be surprised to learn they do it while wearing Rat Pack masks.

Braff directs as though following a how-to manual. He conforms to every beat of the classic studio comedy, right down to a score that could be labeled "goofy geriatric

bank robber comedy music." Apart from a disastrously conceived and staged set piece where our heroes try to rob the ingredients for chicken cordon bleu from a Bushwick supermarket, it's a well-oiled machine, pausing for small bits of sentimentality here, cranking out a gag about three Oscar-winners debating "The Bachelorette" there. (And you thought Caine missing the '87 Oscars because he was making "Jaws: The Revenge" was humiliating.) It tells you when to laugh, where to get angry, when to get teary, and when to cheer. And when it's over, you'll forget Braff had anything to do with it. But maybe that's for the best. MP







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"Smurfs: The Lost Village"

Director: Kelly Ashbury Voices of: Demi Lovato, Rainn

Rating: PG



You skipped the other "Smurfs" movies. They had real people in them — handsomely paid actors like Neil Patrick Harris hobnobbing with little blue CGI whatzits. And you're a grown human. You didn't feel particularly compelled to play completist before seeing the new one. After all, "The Lost Village" has no real people anywhere in it. It's all a toon, which is how the franchise should have rolled from the start, if it ever had to roll at all. Maybe this won't be so bad?

And it isn't. All things considered, it's a slightly better than average episode of the old show, only three times as long. Or so you assume. The show hasn't stuck with you, not the way the more melancholic "Peanuts" has. You don't even remember the Smurfs' names. When you hear "Clumsy Smurf," "Brainy Smurf" and "Hefty Smurf" ("Hefty"?!?!) uttered aloud, they don't sound familiar, not even faintly. You do remember Smurfette, but probably because she was the only girl among the sausage party of Smurf-testosterone. That seems troubling, now that you think about it. A Belgian created the Smurfs; are Belgians really as Cro-Magnon as Americans?

You manage a smile when "The Lost Village" actually addresses the gender issue. The story is a rollicking, actionpacked adventure where our heroes try to find an Edenic oasis of other Smurfs, who turn out to be all female. (You recognize Julia Roberts' voice as their leader,

then lament that this is probably her highest-profile gig in ages. Show business blows.) But the movie does little with this progressive angle, and you worry that today's clickbait writers may make too much of it — call this one "the Feminist Smurfs movie" or something.

But this isn't a movie made for people who click on articles on Facebook. It was made for kids, very young ones, and the giddy tykes around you giggle, almost at random — as though the mere sight of blue antimeanies was joy-making in and of itself. You feel a little bad for the writers and animators, who clearly put in some hard work. There are weirdo forest creatures and psychedelic colors, and the cat, Azrael, is a charmer. But they didn't work hard enough to ensure the kids watching it wouldn't mostly forget it, as you mostly forgot the show. MP



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Derek Jeter could be next Marlins owner

The former Yankees star has expressed interest in buving the Miami Marlins, which would make him the latest athlete to head to the front office.

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It seems as though Jeffrey Loria is attempting to sell the Miami Marlins once again and one of New York's favorite MLB legends could be in the hunt to purchase them.

Charlie Gasparino and Brian Schwartz of Fox Business reported on Wednesday that former New York Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter has "expressed interest" in buying the team.

This crops up a little over a month after Loria was close to selling the team for \$1.6 billion to the Kushner family. However, they backed out when Loria was linked with becoming President Donald Trump's ambassador to France, per the Associated

Press. Jeter, who retired from baseball after the 2014 season, has not made it a secret that he wants to own an MLB franchise. He told Michael McCarthy of the Sporting News in February 2015 that it was his "ultimate goal."

Derek Jeter

He later shed some more insight on his motives with CNBC in 2016, stressing his desire to help the game grow.

"I think baseball is taking somewhat of a backseat to some of the other sports. Some of the other sports are the sexy sports, Jeter said. "I think kids, nowadays, they look at players

playing in



college and the next year they're in the NFL or the NBA. Baseball, you sort of get lost, because you have

titles under his belt as a player, Jeter would proto play vide a winning presence in the minor that is familiar with sustained success in Miami's leagues front office. for a That is a concept the little bit. Kids in

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As a player, Lemieux fueled the Penguins to their first Stanley Cup titles in 1991 and 1992.

Deferring his salary for years, and shortly after his retirement in 1997, his Penguins declared bankruptcy for a second time in franchise history. This time however, this carried the threat of the team relocating.

Owed more than \$32 million, Lemieux diverted most of his money into equity in the team where the NHL Board of Governors approved him as the first player in North American sports to own the team he played for.

Under Lemieux's ownership, the Penguins drafted Sidney Crosby, moved into a new home at PPG Paints Arena and won two more Stanley Cups in 2009 and 2016.

Magic Johnson

Played for: Los Angeles Lakers (1979-1991, 1995-96) Team owned: Los Angeles Dodgers (since 2012)

Johnson revolutionized the point guard position during his time with the "Showtime" Lakers of the 1980s.

As a successful businessman who built Magic Johnson Enterprises from the ground up, the former point guard tried his hand in baseball in 2012 after his bidding group, Guggenheim Partners, purchased the Dodgers for \$2 billion

He personally contributed \$50 million to the group's efforts.

A prominent figure in Los Angeles, Johnson has seen his team make the playoffs in each of the last four seasons.

Michael Jordan

Played for: Chicago Bulls (1984-1998), Washington Wizards (2001-2003) Team owned: Charlotte Hornets (since 2010)

Widely regarded as the greatest player in NBA history, Jordan took his success on the court and made it into an empire with his own personal brand.

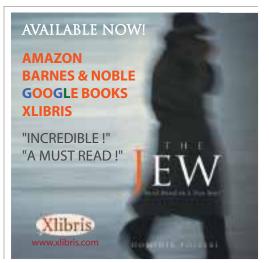
Whether it was on shoes or T-shirts or jerseys, the "Jumpman" logo has become one of the most recognizable silhouettes on the planet.

In 2006 he returned to North Carolina as a minority investor for the then-Charlotte Bobcats.

Four years later, he shelled out \$275 million to become the first former NBA player to become a majority owner of a franchise.

Since his arrival, Jordan has rebranded the Charlotte organization and brought it back to its roots. In 2014 the Bobcats changed their name to the Hornets, which was the name of the original Charlotte franchise from 1989-2002 before it moved to New Orleans

The Hornets have made the postseason just three times since he became majority owner.



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Mets' pitching depth issues could force **Alderson to market**

With two pitchers already injured, Mets GM Sandy Alderson will look to bring in more arms for support.



The New York Mets are not comfortable with the current situation of their pitching staff.

Steven Matz is battling elbow issues and Seth

his UCL, forcing both to the shelf for the next few weeks.

The Mets' once-deep staff once again has durability issues surrounding it, especially with the state of some of the pitchers who are still healthy enough to pitch.

Noah Syndergaard's next start was moved until Sunday due to a blister on his middle finger while Zack Wheeler will likely be on an innings limit this year after missing the last two seasons recovering from Tommy John sur-

It has alarmed Mets general manager Sandy Alderson, as he told the media, via Newsday's Marc Carig, that he will "sniff around" for added pitching depth.

Given the amount the team has invested in the core of Syndergaard, Jacob deGrom, Matt Harvey, Matz and Wheeler, Mets fans shouldn't expect a big deal to bring in a toptier name.

This was an organization that once boasted a bevy of pitchers down in the farm system that could have been called upon for this exact situation. But in the past few years, New York has traded away Michael Fulmer, Logan Verrett, Luis Cessa, Gabriel Ynoa, John Gant, Matt Koch and Robert Whalen.

Instead, Alderson will most likely look for cheap, veteran options that can eat innings in case the injury bug sweeps through

He will likely have to go to the market, whether it is through free agency or trade, to find that much-needed depth.

One name is already off the board after former Met Mike Pelfrey, who spent seven years with the team from 2006-2012, was signed by the Chicago White Sox on Wednesday.

Other options include current free agents Doug Fister, Colby Lewis, Tim Lincecum and Ryan Vogelsong, who are all at least

> Harvey, deGrom and Matz all started under 25 games last season.

32 years old.

Their availability does indicate the way their game has declined over the years, however the four have combined for 325 wins at the majorleague level.

Most notably, Lincecum won two straight Cy Young Awards with the San Francisco Giants in 2008 and 2009.

According to Joel Sherman of the New York Post, the Mets already approached Lewis to sign him, but he wanted a major-league deal while New York was only willing to send him to the minors.

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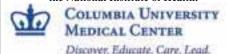
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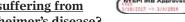
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Attorney for Plaintiff Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221

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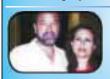
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